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CHIEF BELL'S RESIGNATION

Asked for to Make Room for Russell Harrison's Friend.

The resignation of John S. Bell, Chief of the Secret Service Bureau, has been asked. It seems that Russell Harrison wants the place for a friend of his by the name of Furlough. Bell is from New Jersey, and was at one time Chief of Police of Newark. No particular reason is known for wanting his resignation, further than Russ. wants the job for a friend of his. That, of course, is enough for this Administration.

ON BOTH BEATS.

Two Policemen Quarrel Over a Prisoner Near the Boundary.

Officer McCourt came out victorious in the Police Court to-day, and on his information Joseph Guenther was fined \$10 for using profane language. The offense occurred at Eighth street and the Boundary, and there was somewhat of a strife between McCourt and Officer Knapp as to who should have the credit of accomplishing the arrest. Guenther would stagger back and forth across the limit line of the two men's beats and swear on both sides, and in order to make a sure case two informations were filed against him. The officers do not feel disposed to quarrel over the outcome.

MARRIED CLANDESTINELY.

A Romantic Society Episode Leaks Out at Newark.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The Tribune's Newark, N. J., special says that Miss Mary Gaddis was married yesterday to Matthew Plum, Jr., without the knowledge of her parents, who are said to be very much disturbed by the affair. The courtship of the young couple is said to have been carried on clandestinely. Young Plum belongs to a very wealthy family. Miss Gaddis' father is a member of the firm of Wilkinson & Gaddis, whose business was recently sold to an English syndicate for \$1,800,000.

Advice to Policemen.

Judge Miller gave one of the members of the Metropolitan police force this morning some very sound advice. He said that policemen out of a desire to make cases should not act as middlemen on so many occasions. The time of the court was too frequently taken up unnecessarily, and in making their information the officers should make an effort to obtain tangible evidence and not depend so much on what others said to them.

The New Electric Road.

The new electric cars of the recently-completed Georgetown and Tonnallytown Railroad Company made experimental trips at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the corner of Thirty-second and M streets. The inspection tour was made by President of the Company R. C. Drum, Vice President R. H. Goldsborough, Secretary John E. Beall and a number of invited guests.

The Myers-Hopper Fight.

The exhibition of the manly art on next Monday evening at Willard Hall, between Billy Myers, "the Illinois Cyclone," and Jack Hopper of New York, is attracting much attention, and will, no doubt, draw a large attendance. Both men are clever and their records show that they have done telling work in the battle arena.

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THE LEGISLATIVE MILL.

PROCEEDINGS IN SENATE, HOUSE AND COMMITTEE ROOMS.

Resolutions in Reference to Columbus Park, in Rock Creek Valley—New Southwestern Agents—The Revenue Marine—Other Business.

Among the bills reported from committees and placed on the calendar of the Senate were the following:

House bill for the erection of a shop at the National Academy at Springfield, Mass.

House bill to prevent desertion from the Army.

House Pension Appropriation Bill.

The Senate bill appropriating \$20,000 for an expedition into the Territory of New Mexico, introduced by Mr. Hoar, of Maine, was passed, 37 to 15.

The negative votes were by Bate, Berry, Blackburn, Cockrell, Coke, Hampton, Harris, Jones of Arkansas, Moody, Pasco, Reagan, Vance, Vest, Walhall and Wilson of Maryland.

The House bill to transfer the Revenue Marine Service from the Treasury to the Navy Department, on motion of Mr. Gray, taken up and the amendments reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs agreed to.

Ending the consideration of the Revenue bill introduced by Mr. Hoar, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections reported a bill to amend and supplement the election laws of the United States, and it was placed on the calendar.

Mr. Pugh, as a member of the Committee, said that the favorable report of the bill was opposed by every Democratic member of the committee. He then made an argument against the bill.

A favorable report was also ordered on the bill introduced in the House by Mr. O'Neill of Indiana to prevent the product of convict labor from being furnished to or for the use of any Department of the Government and to prevent the product of convict labor from being used upon public buildings or other public works.

In the House.

On the motion of Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts a joint resolution was passed for the appointment of Charles Deven of Massachusetts, formerly Attorney-General of the United States, and James C. Walling of the District of Columbia to fill vacancies in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

On motion of Mr. Baker of New York, Senate bill to create the customs collection district of Arizona, was passed.

On motion of Mr. Spoliar of New York, a resolution was adopted directing the Commissioners of the District to report the assessed value of all property within the bounds of the proposed Rock Creek (Columbia) Park, together with the names of the parties against whom it is assessed.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, Mr. Payson in the chair.

Mr. Cummings wanted to increase the salaries of the "cloak room" men from \$2.00 to \$2.50.

Mr. Butterworth opposed it because out in Ohio four-fifths of the voters didn't earn over \$1.25 a day.

District in Congress.

A sub-committee of the House District Committee to-day heard arguments for and against the bills introduced by Mr. Hiepphill and Mr. Skinner to regulate the vacation of steam engineering in the District. The bills have heretofore been published in the Terric, and provide, in substance, for the licensing of steam engineers or other persons operating steam plants.

The Silver Compromise.

The extreme silver men are dissatisfied with the compromise worked out by the joint caucuses committee. It begins to look as though the compromise will not hold.

The Pacific Railroads.

The House Committee on Pacific Railroads completed its consideration of the Pacific Railroad bill to-day and instructed the chairman to have the bill, with the amendments agreed to, printed in time to be laid before the committee for action at its next meeting.

The committee took up the Central Pacific portions of the bill this morning and held several sessions. The most important one being the extension of the period of redemption of the Central Pacific first mortgage bonds from 75 to 100 years.

Against Convict Labor.

The House Committee on Labor to-day authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced in the House by Mr. Stewart of Texas to prevent the employment of convict labor upon the construction and repair of any building or other structure belonging to the United States.

Presidential Nominations.

Major James S. Casey, Seventeenth Infantry, to be Lieutenant-Colonel First Infantry.

Captain Harry C. Egbert, Twelfth Infantry, to be Major Seventeenth Infantry.

First Lieutenant A. G. Tassin, Twelfth Infantry, to be Captain.

Second Lieutenant Charles H. Barth, Twelfth Infantry, to be First Lieutenant.

Second Lieutenant Thomas H. Rees, Corps of Engineers, to be First Lieutenant.

A number of postmasters were sent in.

A SENSATIONAL EXPOSE.

A Female Reporter Uncovers Gotham's Divorce Methods.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The World publishes this morning the adventures of a female reporter who set out to investigate the practices of divorce detectives and divorce lawyers in this city. The reporter found that there is a class of women who find regular employment city nights in order to secure divorces. These women can be hired to entrap men into situations furnishing real or apparent grounds for divorce. They are described as most brazen and shameless creatures. The detectives are also shown up in a contemptible light, and the names of some lawyers are given who will doubtless wish that they had not made a confidant of the reporter, whom they supposed to be an ordinary client.

A Big London Blaze.

LONDON, April 24.—The oil refinery of Sir W. A. Rose & Co., at Bauxside, this city, was last night damaged by fire to the extent of £190,000.

JOHN L. IS SATISFIED.

He Regards the Big Offer of the California Athletic Club Indifferently.

BOSTON, April 24.—The announcement of the final offer of the California Athletic Club to make a purse of \$30,000 for Sullivan and Jackson was received by the champion without special interest. John's mind was made up long ago not to fight Jackson unless a phenomenal purse was guaranteed. The offer of the Californians to make the purse \$30,000 is, therefore, entirely satisfactory to him, and although he declines to talk, yet it is well known to his intimates here that he will fight Jackson on the terms named. Within a day or two John so expressed himself.

However, what Sullivan is chiefly concerned in at the present time is the final disposition of his case before the Mississippi court. He said yesterday that he wanted to get that matter out of the way before he talked fight with anybody. He said that any man of common sense can understand how the case in Mississippi might be turned against him should he appear in the newspapers as making negotiations for another prize fight to a finish, even though the Department of Justice, the Mississippi case is on for June 23, so that until after that date the big fellow is not likely to make formal reply to the Californians offer.

John is, however, to meet Jackson and best him, as he feels more than confident he will do, and then retire from the ring. The reiterated statement that John is under the influence of Gibbs to train off the Sullivan fight for the second time denied by Sullivan to-day. The publication of an alleged course of diet is the most absurd chapter of the romance perpetrated to advertise the coming prize fight. Another inaccurate story presented Sullivan as being present at the Bay State sporting exhibition last night and as offering to spar Bill Clay and off Maine four rounds. John was not present at any time during the show.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Parson Davies received a telegram yesterday from Peter Jackson at Mount Clemens, Mich., to the effect that the Australian would accept the offer of the California Athletic Club to fight Sullivan for \$30,000.

THE NOTORIOUS STRANGLER.

Did Eyraud, the Paris Terror, Commit Suicide?

NEW YORK, April 24.—Coroner Wood of Port Richmond, Staten Island, is fully satisfied that the mysterious stranger who committed suicide by shooting himself on the Willow Brook road last Thursday, was Michael Eyraud, the notorious strangler of Paris, who has evaded capture for the murder of Deputy Marshal Gouffe for almost a year. The body of the suicide is identical in every important detail with Eyraud, but the lack of papers on the corpse prevents absolute identification.

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It has a mystery which might never have been solved if Eyraud and Eyraud had not married. They did this in San Francisco. Eyraud returned to Paris and told the story to the prefect of police. She is now in prison. Detectives traced Eyraud to New York, where he lived under the name of an assumed name in French hotels. Then he disappeared and left no trace behind. The French detectives declared he had gone to Central or South America, and went back to Paris.

MR. RANDALL'S SEAT.

When Governor Beaver Will Order a Special Election.

Governor Beaver left this city for Harrisburg yesterday. Before leaving he said that he would order a special election to fill the vacancy of the Third District created by the death of Samuel J. Randall as soon as some citizen of the district would officially notify him of the fact. In the case of Judge Kelley, he was notified by telegram, though not officially, by Speaker Reed, and he immediately ordered a special election.

FINED FOR CLEANLINESS.

The Necessity for Public Baths Demonstrated in the Police Court.

Two colored men by the names of William Butler and Alexander Mills were fined \$5 each by Judge Miller this morning for exposing their persons while bathing in the Potomac River at the foot of Fourth street. The defendants argued that they took both baths purely for cleanly purposes. Their argument demonstrated that the recommendation of the Commissioners for an appropriation for the construction and maintenance of public baths ought to be favorably acted upon by Congress.

Departing Genius.

Mr. S. C. Cromwell, better known among his newspaper colleagues as "Clus," has taken his departure for the Wild and Woolcoping West. He started yesterday forenoon. His objective point is Denver, and his object in going there is to accept a lucrative position on the bright and newsy *Republican* of that place. "Clus," himself is bright and witty, and will be missed by his many friends, journalistic and otherwise, in this city.

A Right Royal Ball.

BRUSSELS, April 24.—A brilliant ball was last night given in aid of the African Red Cross Society. The affair was attended by the King and Queen of the Belgians, Henry M. Stanley, the Countess of Flanders, the members of the Imperial Chambers and the Diplomatic Corps.

Heavy Earthquake Shocks.

The Signal Corps observer at San Francisco reports heavy earthquake shocks which occurred at 5:37 this morning. Vibrations North to South.

Prospective Soldiers.

Lawrence Long of Shelbyville, Ky., and J. J. McCanna of Flatbush, N. Y., have been appointed military cadets at West Point.

Alcohol \$2. per Gallon.

The Treasury Department has decided that \$2 per gallon is the highest rate of duty that can be imposed on alcohol.

CRISP AND BLOUNT.

CONTEST BETWEEN DEMOCRATIC FACTIONS OF THE HOUSE.

Who Will Go on the Committee on the Judiciary?—Crisp and Blount Drings Out Blunt to Beat Crisp—Reed Prefers Crisp.

It would perhaps be difficult to conceive a more interesting contest than that now progressing in the popular branch of Congress for the place on the all-powerful Committee on Rules left vacant by the decease of ex-Speaker Randall. This committee of five, composed of the Speaker and his two lieutenants on the floor and the two leaders of the minority, is in many respects the chief committee of the House. A place on it is sought even more eagerly than a place on the two great privileged committees of Ways and Means and Appropriations. To be one of the Committee on Rules is to be a leader, and to have that fact acknowledged by the enemy.

When Speaker Reed named his Committee on Rules he chose the chairman of his two chief committees, Messrs. McKinley and Cannon, as his party colleagues, and the two Democratic ex-Speakers, Messrs. Randall and Carlisle to represent the opposition. The death of the former opens the way to another of the minority to secure a seat among this select junta. There is no avowed candidate for the honor. Just as no self-respecting person would push himself in an open bid for the position, so an ex-Secretary to another, so no member of the House can become an open candidate for the vacancy on this important committee. This, however, does not deter one's friend from pushing one's name, for instance, the particular coterie which looks to ex-Speaker Carlisle and Mr. Mills for guidance at once assumed that Mr. Mills would be given the place, and the other members of the committee on Rules. But there are many signs that the Democratic members of the House are growing weary of the rule of Carlisle, Mills, and Breckinridge. The yoke of their thralldom galls them, and they seek to throw it off.

The candidate of these Democratic Congressmen, who do not believe, or profess to believe, in the all-comprehensive wisdom of the Kentucky-Texas combination, is Mr. Crisp of Georgia. He is an able man, who manages to keep his head cool in the heat of the struggle, and is, undoubtedly, the personal choice of Speaker Reed. But even Speaker Reed is only an autocrat in name, and the name given by the opposition, despite his heretofore position as Speaker, or at least the expressions of the gentlemen who make up the minority. Should he in this matter ignore or act in opposition to the expressed wishes of the minority, he would find himself unpleasant for himself when he comes to be in the minority, which may be at the next Congress.

So he hesitates to act. Waiting for an opportunity to show his own minority, he is losing his opportunity of independent action. Understanding that as between Crisp and Mills the Speaker would, for personal reasons, perhaps, be inclined to favor the latter, the minority, he is looking for a way to put him in somebody's way at the next Congress, should it be Democratic.

Mr. Blount's own claim seems to be that he is the Democratic father of the House, but he is not. He is a man who, when the Democrats controlled the House, there appears to be no good reason why it should stand him in stead now.

The fight between the Democratic factions will be watched with interest, the more that it is refereed by such a competent person as Speaker Reed. It would be noteworthy indeed if he were obliged to decide against his own wishes. At any rate it would afford him a new sensation.

A TROUBLESOME NOTE.

Prominent New Yorkers Involved in a Legal Squabble.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The *Herald* says an action is pending in the Supreme Court against Jacob Lorillard, Broker James A. Simmons and ex-Governor Alonzo B. Cornell brought by the Grady National Bank, which received \$5,000 which was secured from the bank on a note made by Lorillard last October and endorsed by Simmons and Cornell. Mr. Lorillard claims that he gave the note to Simmons with the distinct understanding that it was to be used in promoting a banking enterprise in Boston, in which all three were interested. Instead of keeping his word Simmons diverted the note to other purposes. Mr. Lorillard has, therefore, determined to contest the validity of the note. Simmons in turn is endeavoring to throw the responsibility upon ex-Governor Cornell.

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THE ASSASSINATION OF CLAYTON.

Evidence That the Guilty Party is Known to the Authorities.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 24.—It is stated by Congressman Breckinridge that in his opinion the time has arrived when the Governor of Arkansas should remove the seal of secrecy that has guarded his operations in the matter of John M. Clayton's assassination. Breckinridge yesterday afternoon disclosed the fact that Governor Eagle had discovered within the past few days, through private agencies, evidence sufficient to convict the man who assassinated Clayton. Mr. Breckinridge no doubt doubted to this information in his statement Tuesday.

Governor Eagle has been quietly at work for months following up a theory regarding the terrible crime, and it is said that his labors have been amply rewarded. Just why an arrest has not been made is a matter at present not understood outside of the executive department. It is believed, however, that the man thought to be the assassin is under constant surveillance.

It is thought that at an early period in the investigation by the committee on the assassination of Clayton, the evidence he has secured before the members and the arrest will probably be made then. It is claimed that the evidence will be all that is necessary to convince the public that the assassination was not of a political nature. The evidence on hand, it is said, will show that the assassin believed Clayton to be ex-Governor Powell Clayton, and fired the shot, believing that he was about to arrest him. Clayton, whose life was taken in 1868 by Clayton's militia.

Governor Eagle is at present confined to his house with fever, and has not been approached on the matter of making public the information he has on hand only through his private secretary, whom he directs to-night to make no statement whatever until at a decision is reached as to whether the matter is placed before the investigating committee.

MR. ALBAUGH'S TRANSFER.

The Holiday-Street Theatre in Baltimore Changes Hands.

BALTIMORE, April 24.—J. W. Albaugh yesterday transferred his lease on the Holiday Street Theatre to Messrs. Kernan, Rife & Houck. Mr. A. L. Kernan is the present proprietor of the Monumental, the leading variety theatre in this city, and also of the Theatre Comique in Washington. George Rife is his manager and confidential agent, and one of the most capable theatrical managers in the South. Mr. Houck is the city mill-poster.

It is proposed by the new lessees to present good plays at popular prices. Mr. Kernan will conduct the Monumental as heretofore, and Mr. Rife and Houck will manage the Holiday Street Theatre. Mr. Albaugh has a lease which is good for four years, and will allow them to devote his attention to the Lyceum, on Charles avenue, which property he bought some time ago, but in the conduct of which he was handicapped by the ill health of his wife.

The Lyceum is the finest theatre here, and will be further improved by the addition of another gallery. The adjoining property will be purchased, and by next season it will probably be the largest and most comfortable place of amusement in the city.

It is understood that Manager Kernan is negotiating to secure a similar club to be put forward in the city. The negotiations succeed the Holiday-Street Theatre production would be reproduced here. Mr. Kernan is enterprising and successful, and if the Washington club is a success, it might be likewise successful.

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ERRORS AND OMISSIONS.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONERS OBJECT TO THEM.

The Printed Testimony Attributed to the Three Civil Service Falsely Said to be Full of Mistakes—Another Investigation in Order.

The House Committee on the Reform in the Civil Service, investigating the charges against the present Civil Service Commission, continued the investigation to-day, after a lapse of weeks.

The chairman laid before the committee a letter signed by all three of the Civil Service Commissioners, stating that they had examined the copies of the testimony taken in the late investigation. This examination, they say, reveals such a multitude of glaring errors, often of vital consequence, that they feel obliged to protest against being held in any way responsible for many of the statements which they are represented as making in the printed copies of the testimony. These errors and omissions, they explain, are so numerous on almost every page of the matter they have examined that it is out of the question to indicate them in any written communication. Whole sentences and groups of sentences have been omitted. Others have been transposed so as to make nonsense. Others have been taken down in a form which makes them incomprehensible, and in other cases words have been inserted, or omitted, or changed so as to entirely reverse the meaning of the sentence.

Under these circumstances, the Commissioners say, they must positively decline to admit that this testimony, as it appears, is the testimony as they gave it. In conclusion, they request that a copy of this letter be printed and appended to all copies of the testimony which may be sent out.

After the letter had been read and there had been some expression of views by the different members of the committee on the subject, the Commissioners took the printed testimony and pointed out a number of mistakes.

The matter was then debated to a great length and a resolution offered by Mr. Butterworth was finally adopted, providing that the Commissioners and other witnesses, in whose testimony, as reported, errors have been discovered, be permitted to report proper corrections to the sub-committee heretofore appointed to receive and compile the testimony for printing.

A general expression of views showed that the parties interested objected to proceeding, as was proposed, with the closing arguments until the testimony had been corrected.